IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

SHASTA GARRETT,)
Plaintiff,))
v.) CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:20-cv-1047-JTA
KILOLO KIJAKAZI, Acting Commissioner of Social Security,)))
Defendant.)

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Before the Court is the Unopposed Motion for Entry of Judgment under Sentence Four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) with Reversal and Remand of the Cause to Defendant filed by the Acting Commissioner of Social Security ("Commissioner") on November 30, 2021. (Doc. No. 21.) In her Memorandum in Support of her Unopposed Motion, the Acting Commissioner states remand is appropriate so the agency can provide the claimant an opportunity for a new hearing, further evaluate the medical opinions and prior administrative medical findings, further evaluate the claimant's residual functional capacity, and issue a new decision. (Doc. No. 22 at 1.)

Sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) authorizes the district court to "enter, upon the pleadings and transcript of the record, a judgment affirming, modifying, or reversing the decision of the Commissioner of Social Security, with or without remanding the cause for a rehearing." 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). The district court may remand a case to the Commissioner for a rehearing if the court finds "either . . . the decision is not supported by

substantial evidence, or . . . the Commissioner or the ALJ incorrectly applied the law

relevant to the disability claim." Jackson v. Chater, 99 F.3d 1086, 1092 (11th Cir. 1996).

Here, the Court finds remand necessary as the Acting Commissioner concedes that

further development of the record and further consideration of the relevant medical

opinions are in order. Moreover, Plaintiff does not oppose the motion. (See Doc. No. 21.)

Further, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c)(1) and Rule 73 of the Federal Rules of Civil

Procedure, the parties have consented to the full jurisdiction of the undersigned United

States Magistrate Judge. (Docs. No. 19, 20.)

Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED as follows:

1. The Commissioner's motion (Doc. No. 21) is GRANTED.

2. The decision of the Commissioner is hereby REVERSED.

3. This matter is hereby REMANDED to the Commissioner for further proceedings

pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

A separate final judgment will issue.

DONE this 30th day of November, 2021.

EKUSHA T. ADAMS

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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